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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)			Docket Number (Optional)	
FY 2006 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)			1135-21RE	
Application Number 10/625,390			Filed July 23, 2003	
For SPINAL NUCLEUS IMPLANT				
Art Unit 3738			Examiner Alvin J. Stewart	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.				
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):				
		<u>Fee</u>	Small Entity Fee	
	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$
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	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.				
A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.				
Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.				
The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.				
The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-2140 I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.				
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assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).				
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## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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